MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : I do not know Sir. I must call for facts from the Tahsildar.

Levy of weighing charges of food grains.

168. *MR E. K. MADHAVAN : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether weighing charges are levied for bags of food grains supplied by the Depot Officer to the stockists in the same locality; and

(*b*) if so, the amount collected so far by way of weighing charges?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : (*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of the answer to (a)

MR. E. K. MADHAVAN : The Director of Food Supplies has stated in answer to this question that no charge has been levied for this purpose. But as a matter of fact, the charge has been levied by the Depot Officer. May I know whether the Director of Food Supplies has enquired into the matter?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : That is one of the complaints against the Depot Officer. That is also under investigation by the District Magistrate.

Food Control.

169. * MR. P. S. MOHAMED : Will the Government be pleased to state the circumstances and the causes that made them continue the control and the business of food grains as before?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : Because the food situation did not improve.

Commandeered valloms.

170. *MR. P. S MOHAMED : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing :

(*a*) the number of valloms that are under commandeering at present;

(*b*) the number of valloms which were kept in the State without renewing registration; and

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the authorities refuse annual re-registration on the ground that the boat owners did not clear up the dues to Government under shortage of food grains in transport?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : (*a*) None till 17-7-1946/1-12-1121 on which date commandeering has been started again on limited scale and as a temporary measure.

(*b*) There is no information about valloms having been kept without renewal of registration.

(*c*) No such report has been received.

MR. P. S. MOHAMED : കഴിഞ്ഞ പ്രാവശ്യം വള്ളങ്ങൾ കമാൻഡിയർ ചെയ്തപ്പോൾ വള്ളം ഉടമസ്ഥന്മാർക്ക് ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുള്ള പ്രയാസം ഈ പ്രാവശ്യം എങ്കിലും ഉണ്ടാകാതെ കഴിക്കുമോ ?

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MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : കഴിയുന്നതും അങ്ങനെ ചെയ്യണമെന്നാണ് ഉദ്ദേശം.

MR. P. S MOHAMED : ചരക്കുകൾ കയറ്റുകയും ഇറക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുന്ന വകുപ്പുകൾ മാത്രം കമ്മൻ ധിയർ ചെയ്താൽ പോരേ ?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR ; അപ്രകാരം ചെയ്താൽ മതി എന്നു നിർദ്ദേശം കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ട്.

Accounts regarding the sale and purchase of paddy and rice.

171. *MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether auditing of the accounts regarding the sale and purchase of paddy and rice by the Government has been completed and published ; and

(*b*) if not, why not and when it will be completed and published and what is the delay due to?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : (*a*) and (*b*) The audit of the accounts up to the end of 1120 is almost complete and a statement of accounts to the close of 1120 will be available shortly.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI : May I know why the promise contained in an answer, almost identical in terms, was not kept up?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : I don't quite understand?

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI : I will explain. Last year a similar question was asked, and a similar answer was given. That is, that the necessary information will be furnished. That promise has not been kept up.

PRESIDENT : Order, order. The question is why Government are not keeping up proper accounts.

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : The accounts will be published and they will be ready in the course of the next three months.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI : Last year also the same answer was given. But they have not so far been published.

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : No Sir. It was only said that the matter was being looked into.

MR. P. O. THOMAS : May I know who the Auditor is?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : He is Mr. Adinarayanan Tampi, a senior officer of the Audit Department.

Deputy Chief Engineer.

172. *MR. K. A. MATHEW : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of works inspected by the Deputy Chief Engineer and the number of days he spent on inspection tour since his appointment ; and

(*b*) the age of the Deputy Chief Engineer ?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) All project works such as P. H. E., Perunchani, Vizhinjam Harbour, Aerodrome and Irrigation works—19 days.

(*b*) 62.

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